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1. From 31 January to 16 February 1951, the Infanterie Kaserne on the north side of Selauerstrasse, Weissenfels (M 52/J 99), quartered an infantry unit of about 2,000 men and a tank unit of about 150 men. The troops were commanded by Colonel **Filippov**, (fnu). According to a sergeant with whom source is acquainted, the deputy commanders were Lieutenant Colonels Kalinin (fnu) and Shirshov (fnu), who rode in passenger cars [REDACTED]. Troops observed in the billeting area wore red-bordered black epaulets, some with tank insignia. T-34 tanks, 50-mm AT guns and short-barreled artillery pieces were in the garages of the installation.

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2. T-34 tanks No 725, 735, 738, 742 and 761 were seen leaving the Panzer Kaserne on the south side of Selauerstrasse for the training area on 13 February. A fellow worker of source said that four T-34 tanks from the installation had recently been placed at the disposal of the German Volkspolizei. An unmailed letter removed from NCO quarters in the installation was written by a soldier of Unit [REDACTED] in Germany to a girl in the U.S.S.R. and dated 20 December ?.

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3. On 7 February, the Infanterie Kaserne quartered 500 to 600 troops who wore black-bordered red epaulets.

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4. Tank trucks [REDACTED] with trailers were parked at the fuel dump south of the Pionier Kaserne on Selauerstrasse. The AA guns previously observed between the fuel dump and the barrack installation had been withdrawn. In their place, source observed the muzzles of two 37-mm AA guns, with which about 50 soldiers wearing [REDACTED]

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- * [REDACTED] Comment. The barracks installations on Selauerstrasse are believed to quarter the 174th Gds Moz Rifle Regt, [REDACTED] commanded

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by Colonel **Filippov** (fnu); the 17th Gds Tank SP Regt; and the unidentified reconnaissance battalion, all of the 57th Gds Itz Rifle Div. The exact disposition of the units in the two installations cannot be determined on the basis of periodic reports because the number of troops in the Infanterie Kaserne estimated by the first source is usually much greater than the estimate by the second source.

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